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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA MINISTRY OF FINANCE STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN GW MASTER OF TAXATION PROGRAM

Program is a Joint Initiative Between GW's School of Business and Public Management and Columbian School of Arts and Sciences

WASHINGTON – Through a new joint initiative at The George Washington University, 30 professionals from the People's Republic of China's Ministry of Finance will study at GW's School of Business and Public Management (SBPM) and the Columbian School of Arts and Sciences to earn a certificate or masters degree in taxation. The two programs—the six-month certificate program and the one-year Master of Taxation program—is funded in part by the World Bank and is administered by SBPM's Departments of Accountancy and Public Administration and the Columbian School's Department of Economics.

The program includes forums and seminars with GW professors. Senior Associate Dean and Professor of Public Administration James Kee will serve as lead instructor in an experimental course in the spring that will focus on current Chinese tax reform issues. Additionally, GW faculty will participate in a World Bank Technical Project that will review China's current tax and fiscal policies and processes and recommend areas for improvement. Tax structures to be examined include the value added, local, environmental and resource taxes.

Ai Wu "Nina" Song, a current student who is chief of the international tax division in the Ministry's Tax Policy Department, says that she is interested in participating in the GW program because, "China has made great achievements since its tax reform in 1978-79 and again in 1994. We are now constantly furthering and deepening our tax reform to meet the need of our socialist market economy. While we do not want a completely free-market system, there is much to learn from its structure."

GW's School of Business and Public Management is dedicated to academic excellence in the study, teaching and research of management and policy in the public and private sectors -- both within the United States and internationally. The school comprises seven departments -- accountancy, finance, international business, management science, marketing, public administration and strategic management and public policy. The school is also home to the International Institute of Tourism Studies.

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**GW'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION RANKED NUMBER ONE
NATIONWIDE FOR STUDENT RESEARCH PRODUCTIVITY**

Department Also Ranked Eighth in the Nation in General Research Productivity

WASHINGTON – The Department of Public Administration in the School of Business and Public Management at The George Washington University has been ranked number one nationwide among all public administration programs in student research productivity. The rankings, published in the September/October 1996 issue of *Public Administration Review*, were established primarily on the number of academic articles published by individuals in their respective departments.

“This ranking confirms what is widely known throughout academic and professional circles—GW’s M.P.A. program produces highly trained, eminently capable students,” said Kathryn E. Newcomer, chair of the department. “Through their pertinent research and publications, our professors and students in the M.P.A. program are pacesetters in the field.”

A direct correlation is shown between the programs that have research-active faculties and the productivity of graduate students. “Given the caliber of faculty teaching in the department, it is no surprise that GW’s M.P.A. students would be ranked number one in the country,” said Newcomer.

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**HATRED, HATE CRIMES AND POLITICAL VIOLENCE TO BE EXPLORED AT
GW/ADL SYMPOSIUM NOVEMBER 18**

- EVENT:** "The Rising Tide of Extremism in America: The Psychology of Hate in the 1990's," a symposium sponsored by The George Washington University and the Anti-Defamation League.
- DATE:** Monday, November 18, 1996
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- PLACE:** Marvin Center Ballroom (3rd Floor)
The George Washington University
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.
- COST:** \$20 (Free for students and faculty with valid ID)

This all-day symposium, organized by **Dr. Jerrold Post**, director of The George Washington University's Political Psychology Program, and co-sponsored by the ADL will examine the psychology of haters and hatred, racism and anti-Semitism and the mainstreaming of extremism, including the role of extremist groups such as neo-Nazis, the Ku Klux Klan and anti-government survivalists. Scheduled speakers include:

Michael Barkum, political scientist, Syracuse University, author of *Millenarianism and Apocalyptic Racism*. He will discuss how Christian Identity, a pseudo-Christian ideology is drawing together neo-Nazis, racists and anti-government survivalists, providing a theological justification for racism and anti-Semitism.

Aaron Beck, psychiatrist, University of Pennsylvania, is conducting a major study of *Prisoners of Hatred*, an examination of the psychology of haters and hatred.

Raphael Ezekiel, psychologist, Harvard University, author of *"The Racist Mind,"* an inquiry into the minds of neo-Nazis, skinheads and members of the Ku Klux Klan.

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Kenneth Jacobson, assistant national director, Anti-Defamation League, will address the phenomenon of "The mainstreaming of extremism" and discuss strategies to deal with the problem.

Barry Kowalski, special litigation counsel, U.S. Department of Justice, will discuss the limits of federal jurisdiction in prosecuting members of hate groups.

Steven Livingston, professor of political communication and acting director of the Political Communication Program at The George Washington University. Author of *"The Terrorism Spectacle,"* he will discuss the relationship between media coverage and hate crime.

Jerrold Post, professor of psychiatry, political psychology and international affairs and director of The George Washington University's Political Psychology Program. Dr. Post, author of *"Political Paranoia: The Psychopolitics of Hatred,"* will discuss what it is in the human condition which makes the paranoid scapegoating message so attractive, and the vulnerability of social groups under stress to hatemongering demagogues.

Ervin Straub, psychologist, University of Massachusetts, author of *"The Root of Evil"* and a survivor of the Nazi Holocaust who addresses the complicity with evil, both active and passive.

Since 1913, the Anti-Defamation League has been on the front line fighting anti-Semitism, racism prejudice and bigotry of all kinds, defending democratic ideals and safeguarding civil rights.

ADL is America's prime resource of information on organized bigotry. The League collects and processes a vast amount of information on anti-Semitism, racists and extremists. Information is disseminated through books, periodicals and reports to the media, law enforcement agencies and the American public.

Deterring hate crimes is at the forefront of ADL national and local efforts. The League pioneered the development of the penalty enhancement approach covering all hate crimes. ADL has had a prominent role in the passage of federal statutes mandating both the gathering of statistics on hate crimes and a penalty enhancement for bias-motivated federal crimes.

ADL is linked nationally and internationally through its 28 regional offices, an Israel office, a government and national affairs office in Washington, D.C., a European consultant and a representative in Italy.

With support from the U.S. Department of Education, The George Washington University Political Psychology Program was founded in 1987 to serve as a national model. Focusing on the interrelationships between psychological and political processes, the relatively new interdisciplinary of political psychology addresses such issues as the psychology of leaders and their followers, crisis decision making, conflict resolution, the origins and effects of mass movements and political violence and terrorism.

To register for the symposium or for additional information, please call the ADL at (202) 452-8310.

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**FORMER PILOBOLUS DANCER AUSTIN HARTEL TO PERFORM
AS GUEST ARTIST IN GW'S FALL DANCE CONCERT**

- EVENT:** The George Washington University Theatre and Dance Department's Fall Dance Concert, directed by Joseph Mills.
- WHEN:** Thursday-Saturday, November 21-23 at 8 p.m.
- WHERE:** The George Washington University
Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre
800 21st Street, NW
(Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro, orange and blue line)
- COST:** \$8 general / \$5 senior citizens. For ticket information, please call Judy Annis in GW's Theatre and Dance Department at (202) 994-6178.

Background:

Austin Hartel, former soloist and choreographer with Pilobolus Dance Theatre, has also performed with the Jose Limon Dance Company, Dendy Dance, and Dances We Dance, among other companies. In 1990 he co-founded Dalton-Hartel Dance with partner Lisa Dalton, and toured with the company extensively throughout the world. His performances and choreography for TV and film have been seen throughout Canada and the U.S. In Italy, Hartel garnered a prestigious Key Award for best commercial of the year for his Lucien Rochat commercial, "Figure Meccaniche." As well as being a performer he has taught throughout Italy, the continental U.S. and the Hawaiian Islands. From 1990-1993, Hartel served as cultural specialist and artistic ambassador for the United States Information Agency teaching, choreographing and performing throughout South and Central Americas.

Joseph Mills performed, choreographed and taught with the Mid America Dance Company in St. Louis and in 1987 joined MOMIX Dance Theatre with whom he toured extensively throughout the U.S., South America, Europe and Asia. As a guest artist, he performed with them in Rio de Janero last year. From 1990-1994 he was a member of the Erick Hawkins Dance Company, touring throughout the U.S., China and Japan in the capacity of soloist, company rehearsal director and choreographic assistant to Hawkins. In addition to his new faculty position at GW, he is a doctoral candidate in the department of dance at Temple University.

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**GW ANNOUNCES NOVEMBER 22 SYMPOSIUM:
"LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE: WHAT IS THE MESSAGE FROM MARTIAN FOSSILS?"**

Gathering Will Provide Information for White House "Space Summit"

EVENT: "Life in the Universe: What is the Message From Martian Fossils?" a symposium sponsored by The Space Policy Institute of The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs, in collaboration with the Planetary Society and the National Space Society.

Symposium speakers will discuss the cultural, intellectual, theological and societal implications of the recent announcement of evidence of possible fossils of ancient life forms from Mars.

President Clinton at the time of this announcement asked Vice President Al Gore "to convene a space summit on the future of America's space program." The symposium will also provide an opportunity for the public to express its perceptions of an appropriate response to the Mars meteorite findings prior to the White House summit.

DATE: Friday, November 22, 1996
(see page 2 and 3 for schedule)

PLACE: Marvin Center Theatre
The George Washington University
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

BACKGROUND:

World interest was captivated by the August 7 announcement that highly suggestive evidence exists of long-ago microbial life on Mars. This announcement has triggered a renewed fascination with the possibility of other life forms in the universe and reinvigorated the debate about goals for future space exploration.

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SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

9:00 - 9:15 a.m. Opening Remarks

9:15 - 9:45 a.m. What Did We Find?

Briefing by **Kathie L. Thomas-Keprta**, ALH84001 team

9:45 - 10:15 a.m. How Will We Know the Findings are Valid?

From the Perspective of a Working Scientist: **John Grotzinger**,
Department of Earth, Atmosphere and Planetary Sciences, Massachusetts
Institute of Technology.

From the Perspective of a Philosopher of Science: **Peter Caws**, University
Professor of Philosophy, The George Washington University

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. BREAK

10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Alien Life in Fiction and Fact

Alien Life in Science Fiction: **Kim Stanley Robinson**, author of *"Red
Mars, Green Mars and Blue Mars"*

Humanity's long-time fascination with extraterrestrial life: **Steven Dick**,
Naval Observatory, author of *"The Biological Universe."*

11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Critical Factors in New Space Endeavors

Bruce Murray, vice president, The Planetary Society

12:15 - 1:30 p.m. LUNCH BREAK

1:15 - 2:30 p.m. Panel Discussion: Putting the Findings in Broad Perspective

Panelists: **Father John Minogue**, president, DePaul University;
Abdel-Monem Al-Mashat, cultural and education attache,
Embassy of Egypt; **John Noble Wilford**, *The New York Times*;
Molly Macauley, economist, Resources for the Future; and
Richard Berendzen, astrophysicist, American University.

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Symposium Schedule (continued)

- 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. International Interest and Response
- Roald Sagdeev**, University of Maryland, former director, Space Research Institute, Moscow, Russia.
- 3:00 - 3:15 p.m. BREAK
- 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. What Response? Public Interest Perspectives
- Robert Zubrin**, chair, Executive Committee, National Space Society
- Louis Friedman**, executive director, The Planetary Society
- Results of an internet survey conducted by GW's Space Policy Institute
- 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. Next Steps: Reflecting the Public Interest
- Dan Goldin**, NASA administrator

To receive additional information about the symposium as it becomes available, send an e-mail message to marssymp@gwis2.circ.gwu.edu or call (202) 994-7292. Symposium details will also be posted on the home pages of the sponsoring organizations:

GW Space Policy Institute - <http://www.gwu.edu/~spi>
National Space Society - <http://www.nss.org>
The Planetary Society - <http://planetary.org/tps/>

Partial funding for the symposium is also being provided by the District of Columbia Space Grant Consortium.

Media wishing to cover this event should call Bob Ludwig in GW's Office of Public Affairs at (202) 994-1423.

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GW TO WELCOME INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED ARTIST SIDNEY GOODMAN

**Department of Art to host Annual Smith Distinguished Visiting
Professor Slide Lecture and Reception November 20**

EVENT: The 1996 Smith Distinguished Visiting Professor Lecture and Reception features internationally acclaimed painter Sidney Goodman, who will lead demonstrations and critiques of art students' work during the week of November 18. Established in 1987 through the generosity of Robert and Clarice Smith, this program is sponsored by The George Washington University Department of Art.

WHEN: Slide Lecture
Wednesday, November 20, 1996
6-7:15 p.m.

A Reception will follow the lecture.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Smith Hall of Art, Room A 114
801 22nd Street, NW
Washington, D.C.
(Foggy Bottom Metro/Blue and Orange lines)

COST: Free and open to the public.

Background:

Since 1962, internationally acclaimed artist Sidney Goodman has held 47 one-person exhibitions, 21 of which were located at New York's Terry Dintenfass Gallery. He has participated in more than 100 group exhibitions including those at the Museum of Modern Art and the Whitney Museum of American Art.

Educated at the Philadelphia University of the Arts, formerly the Philadelphia College of Arts, Goodman has received numerous awards including a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship, a Ford Foundation Purchase, the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship and the National Academy of Design, New York, First Prize in Painting.

Previous Smith Distinguished Visiting Professors to GW have included Helen Frankenthaler, Larry Rivers, Will Barnett, Audrey Flack, Nelson Shanks, Ray Metzker, Lennart Anderson and Bruno Luchesi.

For more information, call (202) 994-6085.

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EXPECT "THE UNEXPECTED" AT GW

**"The Unexpected: International Dance Improvisation Performance"
takes place December 6**

EVENT: **The Unexpected: International Dance Improvisation Performance,**
Washington, D.C.'s second international improvisation and dance event,
features dance artists from London, Amsterdam, New York and
Washington, D.C.

WHEN: Friday, December 6, 1996
8:00 pm

WHERE: Studio J - Dance Theater
2131 G Street, NW
(Two blocks from GWU/Foggy Bottom Metro, Blue and Orange Lines)

COST: General admission \$5.00, students and seniors \$3.00

Background:

Maida Withers, choreographer, videographer and professor of dance at The George Washington University, is well-known to the Washington, D.C., community as a strong and powerful dancer. She is an experimenter in structure and form in motion involving collaborators in visual and performing arts. Withers engages in improvisation for the creation of her work and during performances. For the past three years, she has been performing solo choreography and dance improvisation with improvising jazz and indigenous musicians in host countries. She has also toured throughout southeastern Asia.

Katie Duck, a former guest artist-in-residence at The George Washington University, is recognized in Europe for her unusual choreography and experimentation in dance improvisation. She has performed and taught in Europe since 1977 and now serves on the faculty at the prestigious New School for Dance Development in Amsterdam. Currently, Duck is in the United States teaching and, in December, will perform at the Improvisation Festival in New York with *Blu*, a dance company from Italy.

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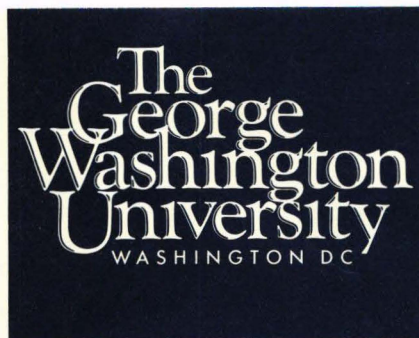
Vincent Cacalano is an educator of advanced movement classes at the New School for Dance Development in Amsterdam. Cacalano's work can be seen in *Laboratory*, an experimental movement and political dance company that tours throughout Europe. Cacalano was a featured dancer in Withers's "*Utah*Spirit Place*Spirit Planet*Tukuhnikivatz*" for the premiere performance at the Lincoln Center Out-of-Doors on August 20, 1996. Cacalano received his MFA in dance from GW. He will also be performing in New York at the Improvisation Festival with *Blu* in December.

Cyrus Khambatta, born in Arlington, Virginia, graduated from New York University's Experimental Theatre Wing in Amsterdam, where he worked with Mary Overlie, Charles Moulten, Pooh Kaye and Sally Silvers. His lectures and workshops on dance-theater have been conducted both in the U.S. and Europe. Locally, he has conducted special workshops for the deaf at Gallaudet University and for the physically challenged at the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop. He is co-founder, choreographer and artistic director of the dance company *Pfffft!*. The Company has presented shows in Europe, the U.S. and Russia. Kambatta and *Pfffft!* are now based in New York City.

Sharon Smith is a dancer, choreographer and director of her own company, *The Max Factory* in London. A graduate of the New School for Dance Development, she tours throughout Europe. Smith will join Duck and Cacalano in the Improvisation Festival in New York featuring the *Blu* company.

Alan McDermott, performed the role of Nobel Warrior in Withers's "*Utah*Spirit Place*Spirit Planet*Tukuhnikivatz*." McDermott is also a graduate of the New School for Dance Development and performs throughout Europe with Cacalano.

Joseph Mills joined the faculty of The George Washington University in 1995. A member of MOMIX Dance Theater since 1987, he now tours internationally with this unusual non-traditional modern dance company. From 1989 to 1991 he performed original works throughout Italy. He danced with Erick Hawkins Dance Company for five years, touring throughout the United States, Japan and China. Currently, Mills is a candidate for a Ph.D in dance at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



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GW SCORES FOR NEEDY WITH FREE BASKETBALL GAME NOV. 30

Colonials join forces with Salvation Army and DC Councilmember Jack Evans in offering free tickets to nationally televised game in exchange for Thanksgiving weekend food donations

Washington -- The nationally-ranked George Washington University men's basketball team will provide **free tickets** for its November 30th game against Texas Tech to anyone who donates a non-perishable food item or money to The Salvation Army at the gate. Doors will open at 8:30 p.m. for the Thanksgiving weekend contest at GW's Smith Center. Tip-off is 9:30 p.m. The game will be nationally televised by ESPN.

Approximately 4,000 free tickets are available for the game. Groups are encouraged to reserve seats in advance by calling (202) 994-6650.

"I want to wholeheartedly commend The George Washington University, our Ward 2 neighbor, for organizing this event," said Councilmember Jack Evans. "I am honored to be a participating sponsor and invite the Ward 2 community and the residents of our great city to come together in the spirit of giving. Let's proudly cheer the Colonials on and support the Salvation Army in its efforts to go that extra mile for those in need."

All monetary and canned-good donations will be given to The Salvation Army for use in its work in the D.C. metropolitan area where The Salvation Army has been a major player for over 112 years in helping those in need. The Salvation Army provides a wide range of services including emergency and transitional housing facilities for the homeless, drug and alcohol treatment centers, feeding programs, child care and after-school programs.

"We really appreciate The George Washington University helping us to better serve the community," said Captain Mark Bell, general secretary for The Salvation Army. "This game will make a big difference to a great number of people."

**For information on group tickets for this game,
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GW'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTS THREE NEW MEMBERS

U.S. Attorney Eric Holder, WETA President and CEO Sharon Rockefeller and GW Alumna Adrian Tocklin join governing body

WASHINGTON -- The George Washington University Board of Trustees has announced the addition of three new members. During its October 25th meeting, the board elected United States Attorney for the District of Columbia Eric H. Holder Jr.; Washington Educational Television Association (WETA) President and Chief Executive Officer Sharon Percy Rockefeller; and GW Alumna Adrian M. Tocklin as its newest trustees. Each will serve a three-year term.

"Each of these exceptional individuals brings immense talent, experience and stature to an already stellar board," said GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. "We welcome them into the GW family and look forward to their service and leadership as we move rapidly toward the new millennium."

Board Chairman John Zeglis expressed his "delight" at the arrival of the new board members. "These are important leaders in their communities, heavily recruited for volunteer service on any number of boards. We are thrilled that they chose The George Washington University and are making a commitment to our future."

Eric Holder was appointed as the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia in 1993. A native of New York, he earned a bachelor's degree in American History from Columbia College in 1973 and is a 1976 graduate of Columbia Law School. While in law school he clerked at the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and in the Department of Justice Criminal Division. Upon graduation, Holder joined the Department of Justice and was assigned to the Public Integrity Section. There he investigated and prosecuted corruption by officials at local, state and federal levels. In 1988, President Bush nominated Holder as an associate judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and he served there for five years.

Sharon Percy Rockefeller has been president and chief executive officer of WETA, Washington, D.C.'s flagship public television and radio station, since 1989. Before assuming her current post at WETA, she was a member of its board of trustees for seven years. In addition, Rockefeller served as a member of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's board of directors for

12 years, including four as chairperson. A graduate of Stanford University, she is involved in a wide range of business, community and charitable activities which have led to her service on the boards of PepsiCo, the American Program Service, the Washington Board of Trade and the National Gallery of Art. Rockefeller is the recipient of numerous awards and honorary degrees in recognition of her outstanding contributions to education, fine arts and women's issues.

Adrian Tocklin is president of diversified operations for Chicago-based CNA Insurance Companies. Her previous experience includes 21 years of service with Continental Insurance, beginning as a claim officer and rising to the position of president and chief operating officer. She started her career in insurance with Travelers nearly 25 years ago. Tocklin received a bachelor's degree in philosophy from The George Washington University and a juris doctor (summa cum laude and valedictorian) from Seton Hall University Law School. A member of the New Jersey and Florida bars, Tocklin is a director of Sonat, Inc., an oil and natural gas company headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama. She was nominated for the position on GW's board of trustees by the GW Alumni Association to fill the unexpired term of alumnus Dennis Patterson, who resigned after accepting new employment which would have created a conflict of interest.

Located four blocks from the White House, The George Washington University was created by an Act of Congress in 1821. Today, GW is the largest institution of higher education in the nation's capital. The University offers comprehensive programs of undergraduate and graduate liberal arts study as well as degree programs in medicine, law, engineering, education, business/public management and international affairs. Each year, GW enrolls a diverse population of 19,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and 120 countries.

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**GW CENTER FOR EQUITY AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION
PROMOTES ACADEMIC SUCCESS
FOR LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT STUDENTS**

Washington -- The George Washington University Center for Equity and Excellence in Education has released details of a national education initiative to improve the academic success of limited English proficient students. The initiative, "Promoting Excellence: Ensuring Academic Success for Limited English Proficient Students," provides direction to educators across the country in the form of six major guiding principles on the issue of educational reform for limited English proficient students.

"Promoting Excellence" was conducted by the Evaluation Assistance Center (EAC) East within GW's Center for Equity and Excellence in Education. The EAC East is one of two national technical assistance centers funded by the Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs to assist state and local educators working with limited English proficient students.

Evaluation Assistance Center East director, Dr. Charlene Rivera, and initiative participants including senior officials from the U.S. Department of Education and staff of the EAC East, believe the six overarching guiding principles capture the essence of conditions that create an optimal environment for the education of limited English proficient students.

The mission of "*Promoting Excellence*" is to provide a framework of effective research-based practices for schools to enhance their services to limited English proficient students. The framework can be used by policymakers, practitioners and community members as they work to develop bilingual/ESL programs, schoolwide programs and district and state assessment systems that serve limited English proficient students equitably.

"The principles and indicators describe the characteristics of schools where limited English proficient students are succeeding academically," Dr. Rivera said. "They are the conditions that a school or community will want to create in order to achieve excellence in the education of students who are learning English as their second language."

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The six guiding principles represent best practice for educating limited English proficient students. They include:

- Hold limited English proficient students to the same high expectations of learning established for all students;
- Develop full receptive and productive proficiencies in English, consistent with expectations for all students;
- Enable limited English proficient students to meet performance standards in all content areas;
- Build on previous education and cognitive abilities that reflect language proficiency levels;
- Use appropriate and valid assessments that are aligned with state and local standards; and
- Ensure that educators, family and community share responsibility for the academic success of limited English proficient students.

According to Dr. Delia Pompa, director of the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs, "the '*Promoting Excellence*' initiative and the guiding principles take a holistic view which underscores the systemic nature of the changes needed to ensure academic success for limited English proficient students."

The Center for Equity and Excellence in Education, part of the Institute for Education Policy Studies at GW's Graduate School of Education and Human Development, focuses on system-wide educational reform to improve student opportunities and achievement. The Center operates the Region III Comprehensive Center, one of 15 technical assistance centers funded by the U.S. Department of Education to assist schools in efforts to improve teaching and learning.

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**GW PRESIDENT STEPHEN JOEL TRACHTENBERG RETURNS TO ANCESTRAL
HOMELAND IN UKRAINE TO RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREE**

WASHINGTON -- George Washington University President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has departed for a five-day journey to the birthplace of his parents in what is now the Ukraine. He is to receive an honorary doctorate from Odessa State Medical University on November 21.

"It is indeed an honor and a joy for me to be recognized in the city of my parents' birth," said Trachtenberg. "They never expected that I would some day serve as the president of a large American university with responsibility for a law school and a medical school. And I never imagined the revolution that was lying in wait for American medicine and how that revolution would affect my life as a university president."

The Odessa State Medical University has chosen to award Trachtenberg the title of Doctor Honoris Causa for his "unassailable commitment to the vitality of GW's School of Medicine and Health Sciences." The awards ceremony, which will be held on Thursday, November 21, is part of a four-day schedule of activities for President Trachtenberg including a tour of the University's facilities, meetings with University officials and, of course, visits with family members.

Scholar, author, university president and professor, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg was born to Russian immigrants in New York City in 1937. He received a bachelor's degree from Columbia University in 1959, a juris doctor from Yale University in 1962 and a master of public administration degree from Harvard University in 1966. His legal career began as a lawyer with the United States Atomic Energy Commission. Later, Trachtenberg went to work as a legislative assistant to United States Representative John Brademas. After two and a half years as special assistant to the United States Commissioner of Education, he moved to Boston University where he served in a number of positions from 1969 to 1977. Trachtenberg was president of the University of Hartford for 11 years before being selected as the 15th president of The George Washington University in 1988.

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GW TO EXPLORE LOGISTICS OF PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURALS DEC. 12

Symposium coincides with special exhibit "Inaugural Celebrations in the Nation's Capital," on display at GW through Feb.

WHAT: "Behind the Scenes at the Presidential Inaugural," features a panel discussion moderated by GW Professor Dr. **Joe Jeff Goldblatt**, director of the School of Business and Public Management's Events Management and Marketing Program. Speakers include **Tom Groppe**, director of ceremonies and special events for the Military District of Washington, D.C.; **Edith Mayo**, curator of social history emeritus, First Ladies Gowns Collection, The Museum of American History; **Earl Hargrove**, president of Hargrove Incorporated, designers and builders of Inaugural Parade floats; and Colonel USMC (ret.) **John R. Bourgeois**, former director of "the president's own" U.S. Marine Corps Band. The program is sponsored by The George Washington University's Special Collections Department, The Friends of The George Washington University Libraries and the GW Event Marketing Program.

WHEN: Thursday, December 12, 1996
6-7:30 p.m.

A champagne and dessert reception and opportunity to view the "Inaugural Celebrations in the Nation's Capital" exhibit will follow in the Gelman Library Special Collections Department, Room 207.

WHERE: The George Washington University
The Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre
800 21st Street, NW
(Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro, blue and orange lines)

Background:

The symposium, titled "Behind the Scenes at the Presidential Inaugural," will offer a unique opportunity to look beyond the headlines and into the challenges of producing this important event. The panelists will present descriptions of their respective roles in planning presidential inaugurations.

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The symposium is held in conjunction with The George Washington University's Gelman Library exhibit, "Inaugural Celebrations in the Nation's Capital." The exhibit features an impressive presidential and vice presidential inaugural memorabilia collection, including photographs, coins, invitations and programs as well as materials from the event management and marketing archives. Part of the exhibit will also feature Gelman's collection of U.S. presidential inaugural medals, one of the most significant of its kind.

For more information and to reserve a space, please call GW's Gelman Library at (202) 994-6455.



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**GREEK ISLAND MOMENTS REMEMBERED IN "LANDSCAPES OF CORFU, 1996" AT
GW'S DIMOCK GALLERY DECEMBER 12 - JANUARY 31**

- EVENT:** "Landscapes of Corfu, 1996" features more than 50 paintings by students who participated in The George Washington University's Summer Fine Arts Program in Corfu, Greece, coordinated in conjunction with the Art League School, Alexandria, Virginia, and the Municipality of Corfu.
- WHEN:** December 12, 1996 - January 31, 1997
Tuesday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Also open selected hours in conjunction with Lisner Auditorium events.
- WHERE:** The George Washington University Dimock Gallery
730 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC
(Foggy Bottom/GW Metro, orange and blue lines)
- COST:** Free and open to the public.
For more information, contact GW's Dimock Gallery at (202) 994-1525.

Background:

The four-week excursion to Corfu last summer offered GW students the opportunity to paint both urban views and the rural landscape and coastline of the island. The legacy of the Venetian empire emerges throughout the paintings featured in "Landscapes of Corfu, 1996," which evoke the unique quality of Mediterranean light and color. Oil and watercolor paintings are included in the exhibit. A sampling of paintings from the trip by Michael Francis, Periklis Pagratis and William Woodward, the GW faculty who instructed the students on site, will also be on display.

For further information about studying art in Greece, please call Summer, Special and International Programs at (202) 994-6360.

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**FEDERAL COURT TO HEAR GRAND JURY ARGUMENT
IN ROCKY FLATS CASE NOV. 26**

WASHINGTON -- On Tuesday, November 26, 1996, the federal district court in Denver will hear arguments on the unprecedented petition of former members of Special Grand Jury 89-2 in the Rocky Flats case. Chief Judge Richard Matsch has scheduled a hearing on the petition to decide whether to grant the request that the Rocky Flats grand jurors be allowed to submit evidence of criminal conduct and efforts by the government to obstruct the grand jury investigation. The filing is brought by George Washington University Law Professor Jonathan Turley, who has represented the grand jurors since they first went public in 1992. Both the Justice Department and Rockwell Corporation are opposing the release of the information. **The hearing will take place at 2:00 p.m. (MT) in Courtroom C-203 of the Byron Rogers United States Courthouse, 1929 Stout Street, Denver, Colorado.**

The Rocky Flats case began in 1989 when grand jurors were selected on a random basis from around Colorado to investigate environmental crimes committed at the Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant located outside Denver. Three years later, the case took an extraordinary turn when the Grand Jurors went public with their charges. In spite of their findings of criminal conduct at the plant, the Justice Department refused to sign the indictments and actively hampered the grand jury in its efforts to produce a report on the evidence against Rockwell and the Energy Department.

While hampering the Grand Jury, the Justice Department struck a plea bargain with Rockwell Corporation, dropped any individual indictments and permanently sealed the grand jury's findings and indictments from public view. The highly controversial plea bargain required Rockwell to pay \$18.5 million from a venture that netted the corporation \$22.4 million in profits. The agreement also permitted Rockwell to file for reimbursement of \$7.9 million from the public for fees and costs associated with the case. Further, the agreement protected Rockwell and its employees from any future criminal or civil charges for its activities at Rocky Flats -- a concession estimated to be worth millions in additional possible fines.

While the Justice Department agreed that over 400 violations occurred over an extended period of time, not a single Rockwell employee was indicted. Moreover, the government did not bring any charges against the Energy Department and its employees who were inextricably linked to the criminal conduct.

Since going public in 1992, the grand jurors have remained united for four years in their efforts to disclose information that they believe to be vital to the public interest. Tuesday's hearing represents the first time that a grand jury has ever filed a case as a litigant in either the United States or England.

The over 300-page filing included affidavits from each of the grand jurors attesting under oath that "I have been prevented from fulfilling the obligations of my sworn oath to the extent that it requires a full and independent investigation and reporting of both criminal conduct and, specifically, government misconduct." The grand jurors further stated that "[i]n the final, critical stage of our deliberations, the Justice Department withdrew assistance and support from the grand jury and hampered our efforts to complete our investigatory and reporting function."

The filing also included an affidavit from U.S. Representative Patricia Schroeder supporting the petition and asking the court to allow the grand jurors to speak to Congress. Rep. Schroeder filed the affidavit as the most senior member of the Colorado delegation and the ranking minority member on the House Courts and Intellectual Property Subcommittee and the National Security Committee.

Turley is the director of the Environmental Law Advocacy Center (which includes the Shapiro Environmental Law Clinic) at The George Washington University and is considered one of the nation's foremost experts on environmental crime. Turley is accompanied in the action by Center attorney, Joan Manley. Ms. Manley is a former environmental prosecutor with extensive trial practice in Florida and also serves as counsel of record in the Area 51 case. The litigation is being supported by various Center donors, including Barbra Streisand and Deer Creek Foundation.

Professor Turley may be reached for comment through his office, at 202/994-7001, or at his hotel in Denver at 303/297-3111 through Thursday, November 28, 1996.